

House Resolution 1987

By: Representatives Williams of the 165<sup>th</sup> and Porter of the 143<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Pastor Stanford L. Anderson I on the occasion of his 25th anniversary as pastor  
2 of Piney Grove Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, for a quarter of a century, Piney Grove Baptist Church in Hazelhurst, Georgia, has  
4 been very blessed with the compassionate and inspiring spiritual leadership of Pastor Stanford  
5 L. Anderson I; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Ocilla, Georgia, and the son of the late Brother Charles Anderson and  
7 Sister Ida Anderson, this faithful servant of the Lord began preaching when he was just seven  
8 years old and became a pastor at the age of 15; and

9 WHEREAS, Pastor Anderson graduated from Irwin County High School and later studied at  
10 Bryant Theological Seminary in Fitzgerald, Georgia, and Beulah Heights Bible College in  
11 Atlanta, Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, throughout his years with Piney Grove Baptist Church, Pastor Anderson has been  
13 respected and admired by his congregation for his enthusiasm, integrity, and generous and  
14 loving nature; and

15 WHEREAS, Pastor Anderson is also a highly active leader within his denomination and the  
16 greater community, having served as vice moderator of the Willacoochee Missionary Baptist  
17 Association, first vice president of the 1st District General Missionary Baptist Convention of  
18 Georgia, Inc., president of the Evans County Ministerial Association, and on the advisory board  
19 of Ogeechee Technical College; and

20 WHEREAS, he is also the pastor of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Richmond Hill,  
21 Georgia; and

1 WHEREAS, Pastor Anderson is married to the former Dorothy Y. Jay, teacher in the Evans  
2 County School System, and is the proud father of two children, Stanford II and Faith; and

3 WHEREAS, in his 25 years of service to Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Pastor  
4 Anderson has touched countless lives with his kindness, devotion, and encouragement, and it  
5 is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor his many outstanding contributions to  
6 his church and his community on the occasion of this very special milestone.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the  
8 members of this body join in commending Pastor Stanford L. Anderson I on his 25 years of  
9 exemplary leadership to Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church and in extending their best  
10 wishes for a happy and prosperous future.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and  
12 directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Stanford L. Anderson I.